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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A keyboard and multi-line display assembly includes a liquid crystal display and a keyboard having a plurality of keys. At least one key of the keyboard is coupled to the display for contrast control, bypassing a processor of the assembly to which the other keys of the keyboard are coupled for data entry. The contrast control key, which is coupled to the display by a digital potentiometer, allows a user to adjust the contrast of the display on the fly without having to exit a data entry mode or to enter a set-up mode.

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